

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1032

By Littleton

A RESOLUTION to commemorate Building Safety Month in
Tennessee.

WHEREAS, through our continuing efforts to address critical safety issues in the building environment affecting our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, we are confident that our structures are safe and sound; and

WHEREAS, building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, and others in the construction industry work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated members of the International Code Council develop and implement the highest quality codes to protect Americans in the buildings where we live, learn, work, and play; and

WHEREAS, the International Codes, the most widely adopted building safety and fire prevention codes in the nation, are used by many U.S. cities, counties, and states; these modern building safety codes also include safeguards to protect the public from natural disasters such as hurricanes, snowstorms, tornadoes, wild land fires, and earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month reminds the public about the critical role of our communities' largely unknown guardians of public safety: our local code officials. These officials help prevent countless deaths and injuries from fires and accidents; and

WHEREAS, the theme, "Building Safety: Where you Live, Work and Play," encourages all Tennesseans to raise awareness of the importance of building safety; disaster-resistant, energy-efficient, green, and sustainable building; pool and spa safety; and new technologies in the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, Building Safety Month presents appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure that the places where we live, learn, work, and play are safe. Countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and

WHEREAS, this year, as we commemorate Building Safety Month, we most appropriately acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments and federal agencies in protecting lives and property; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby join with our Tennessee building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, and others in the construction industry as they commemorate May 2016 as Building Safety Month in Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.